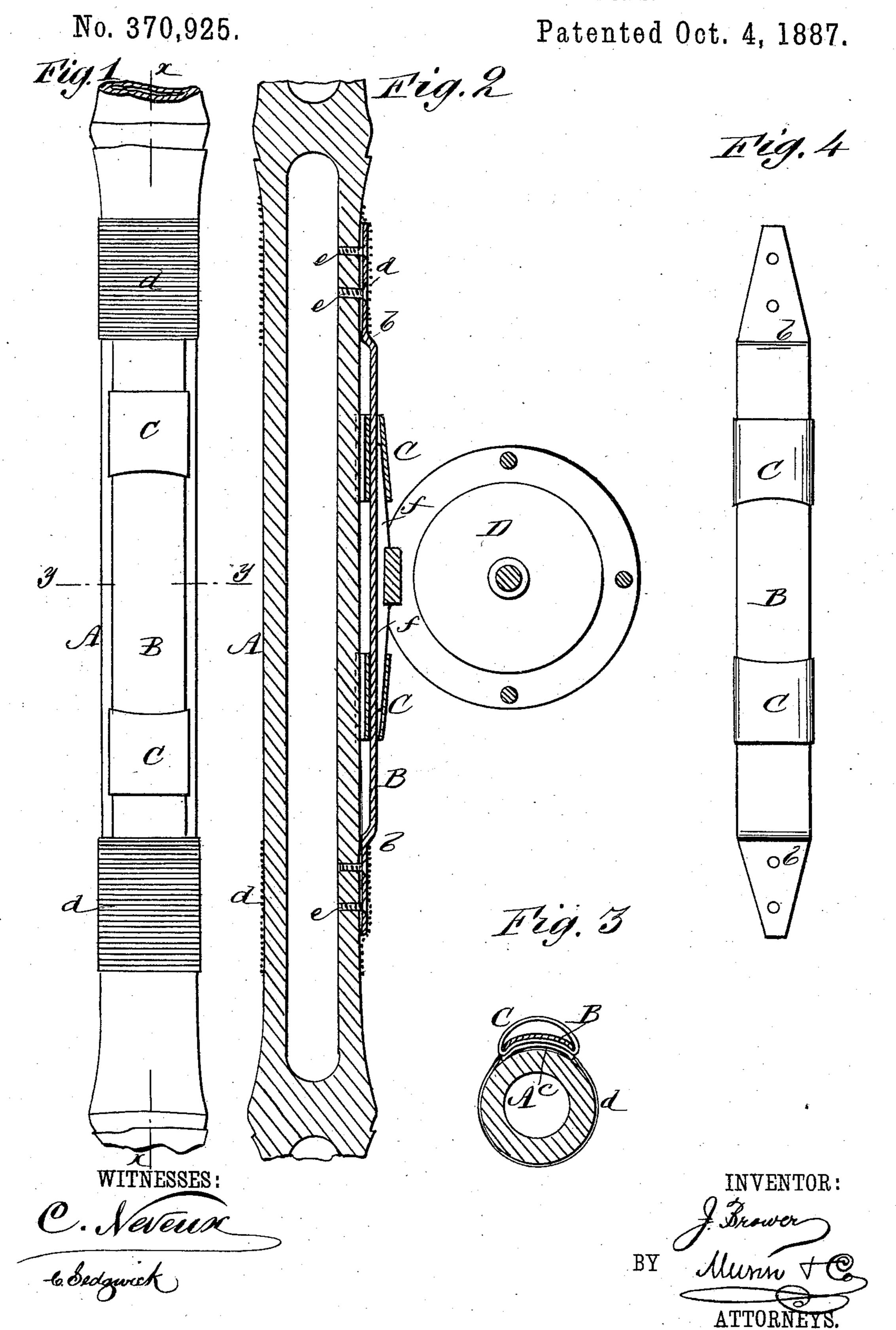
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Joseph Brower, of Lexington, in the county of Fayette and State of Kentucky, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Reel-Holders for Fishing-Rods, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention consists in a seat of novel construction for the reels of fishing-rods, and in certain sliding bands used in connection with said seat for securing and liberating the reel when required, substantially as hereinafter described, and pointed out in the claims.

The invention is more particularly designed to be used upon Japanese or bamboo fishing-rods, on which there are knots or protuberances that restrict the sliding of a circular reel-holding thimble over them, but it is applicable to any kind or size of fishing-rod.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 represents a longitudinal exterior view of a portion of a fishing-rod with my improved reel-holder applied. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section of the same upon the line x x in Fig. 1, said sectional view also showing a reel in position as secured by the holder. Fig. 30 3 is a transverse section upon the line y y in Fig. 1, and Fig. 4 a top view of the reelseat with the sliding bands in place thereon.

A indicates the rod in part, B the reel seat, C C the sliding bands thereon, and D a reel

The reel-seat B is composed of a metal plate of any desired length, arranged to be in direction of the length of the rod. This plate is of arched shape in direction of its width, and is formed with offsets b b at its opposite ends, constructed to elevate the body of the plate sufficiently from the rod to allow of the sliding of the metal bands C Calong over and beneath the seat B between its offset ends b b, which latter are of semi-oval shape or quickened curvature on their under or inner sides,

as shown at c, whereby said offset ends bear down at their edges upon the rod, regardless of the size of it diametrically, and thus adapt the metal seat B to different-sized rods. The 50 seat B is fastened at its offset ends b b upon the rod by a lashing, d, screws e, or otherwise.

The metal bands CC, which clip or embrace in a free sliding manner the body of the seat B, are of segmental form in direction of their 55 width and of tapering shape in direction of their length, with their larger ends innermost, and of a suitable size internally to receive within or through them the inclined footportions f of the reel D, so that on forcing 6c the metal bands toward each other they will securely wedge or hold the reel in position on the seat B, and upon sliding said bands in reverse direction will liberate the reel from its seat on the rod.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a reel-holder for fishing-rods, the transversely-arched longitudinal plate form. 70 ing the reel-seat B, constructed with depressed offset ends bb, of semi-oval shape or quickened curvature transversely, and sliding bands thereon, in combination, substantially as shown and described.

2. In a reel-holder for fishing-rods, the segmental-shaped tapering bands CC, adapted to secure the reel on or to its seat, in combination with a plate on which said bands slide, essentially as specified.

3. In a reel-holder for fishing-rods, the combination of the transversely-arched reel-seat plate B, having depressed transversely-arched offset ends b, and the segmental-shaped tapering bands C C, arranged to slide on said 85 plate to clamp the reel-plate in position, substantially as shown and described.

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